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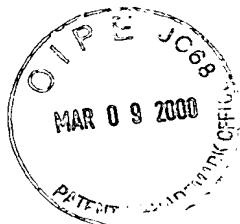
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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Non-fee Amendment
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

In The Claims

Please cancel claims 1-21 and add new claims 22-35 as follows:

22. (New) A synthetic resin pallet, for use with a fork lift, having upper and lower decks spaced apart by a plurality of supports to define therebetween fork-receiving regions beneath the upper deck, the pallet made by a method comprising:

- (a) separately molding the upper and lower decks of synthetic resin;
- (b) mechanically scuffing a top surface of the upper deck, a bottom surface of the lower deck, and an underside of the upper deck in the fork-receiving regions to create a slip-resistant scuffed texture; and

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